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DEATH. DIED: on November 9, 1790, in Hampstead, England. LAND: probably none in Maryland. ADDITIONAL COMMENT: At his death, debts due Sharpe on bonds he held in America equaled £3,341.3.11 sterling, plus £725.4.9 current money.

SHARPE (SHARP), PETER (?-1671/72). IMMI-GRATED: in 1650, as a free adult. RESIDED: "at the Clifts," Calvert County. MARRIED ca. 1651/52 Judith, widow of John Gary (Garey) (?-ca. 1651). CHILDREN, SON: William Sharpe (ca. 1655-1699). STEPSON: John Gary (ca. 1643-1681), who married Alice Ambrose. DAUGHTER: Mary, who married in 1670 William Stevens, son of William Stevens of Dorchester County. STEPDAUGHTERS: Elizabeth Gary (?-1697), who married first, Robert Harwood, second, Wenlock Christison (?-1679), and third, William Dixon (?-1701); Judith Gary (?-before 1672); and Jane Gary (?-before 1672). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RE-LIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Quaker. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Mr., by 1651/52, but irregularly in 1650s; in 1670 deeded 150 acres, "Ending of Controversie," to Wenlock Christison (?-1679), who had suffered as a Quaker missionary in New England. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: chirurgeon; planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Assembly, Patuxent (Calvert County), 1657. LOCAL OFFICE: justice, Calvert County, 1669/70-ca. 1671/72. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELEC-TION: at least 200 acres. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: patented 3,250 acres between 1664 and 1670 (1,200 acres in Dorchester County, 1,650 acres in Talbot County, and 400 acres in Calvert County). WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: will probated March 28, 1672, in Calvert County. LAND: will mentioned 400 acres and 3 plantations of unspecified size.

SHARPE, WILLIAM (ca. 1655–1699). BORN: ca. 1655, in Calvert County; eldest son. NATIVE: second generation. RESIDED: in Calvert County; in Talbot County by 1673. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: Peter Sharpe (?-1671/72). MOTHER: Judith, widow of John Gary (?-ca. 1651). HALF BROTHER: John Gary (ca. 1643–1681). SISTER: Mary, who married William Stevens. HALF SISTERS: Elizabeth Gary, who married second, by 1672, Wenlock Christison (?-1679); Judith Gary (?-by 1672); and Jane Gary (?-by 1672). MARRIED in 1673 Elizabeth (1655–1704), daughter of Thomas Thomas (ca. 1624–1658). Her brothers were James; Solomon (?-by 1696), who married in 1685/86 Rebecca Winn. Elizabeth subsequently

married in 1701 Thomas Taylor (1660-1727) of Talbot County, a merchant. CHILDREN. SONS: William (1680-1704), who was drowned in the Choptank River; Peter, who married in 1704 Catherine Troth. DAUGHTERS: Sarah (?-1702), who married in 1692 William Edmundson (1677-1702), son of John Edmundson (?-1697/98). PRIVATE CA-REER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIA-TION: Quaker, Third Haven Meeting, Talbot County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: second generation provincial officeholder. OCCUPA-TIONAL PROFILE: merchant, planter. PUBLIC CA-REER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Associators' Convention, Talbot County, 1689–1692. LOCAL OFFICE: justice, Talbot county, 1685 (did not qualify). STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES: supported Revolution of Protestant Associators in 1689; his Quakerism excluded him from office after 1692. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELEC-TION: 2,400 acres in Talbot County (including 1,400 acres inherited from his father). WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on June 5, 1699; buried at Island Creek. Talbot County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, £846.17.2 (including 4 slaves and 1 servant); FB, estate overpaid £376.7.9. LAND: probably 4,200 acres.

SHAW, JAMES (ca. 1747-ca. 1795). BORN: ca. 1747, baptised May 5, 1747, in Glasgow Parish, Glasgow, Scotland; younger son. IMMIGRATED: from Glasgow, Scotland, by 1769. RESIDED: in the town of Vienna, Dorchester County; Easton, Talbot County, by 1794. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: John Shaw, of Glasgow, Scotland. MOTHER: Mary Casels (Cassels). BROTHERS: Alexander, baptised August 28, 1743, in Glasgow Parish, Glasgow, Scotland; John (1745–1829), who immigrated from Glasgow to Annapolis, Anne Arundel County. ADDITIONAL COMMENT: Shaw's brother John was a cabinetmaker, who had a shop on State Circle in Annapolis. During the Revolutionary War John Shaw served as armorer for the State. He was also an Annapolis city councilman, street commissioner, and fire engine keeper. Shaw was responsible for much of the finishing work on the Maryland State House, and crafted desks and chairs for the legislative chambers and public offices. He married first, in 1777, Elizabeth Wellstead Pratt (1748-1793), and second, in 1798, Margaret Steuart (1759-1806). Possibly other siblings. MARRIED first, by 1769, Mary, widow of John Lecompte (?-1768). MARRIED second, by 1784, Henrietta. MARRIED third, by 1795, Ann (?-1826), who died in Annapolis. CHILDREN.